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REPLY TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
MAILED NOVEMBER 8, 2006

Sir:

Responsive to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed November 8, 2006,
Applicants respond to the issues raised therein.

Election/Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has indicated in the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed November 8, 2006 that the claims are directed to more than one independent or distinct invention and each has acquired a separate status in the art in view of their different classification; therefore, the Examiner has requested an election of one of the following inventions:

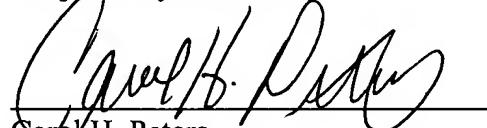
Invention I, including claims 1-17, are drawn to a UPS to provide AC backup power, classified in class 307, subclass 46; and

Invention II, including claims 18-24, are drawn to a program residing on a medium for discovering a UPS on a network, classified in class 709, subclass 220.

As required by the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect without traverse the claims of Invention I, including claims 1-17 that are drawn to a UPS to provide AC backup power. With this election of claims 1-17 without traverse, Applicants respectfully submit such election is without prejudice to the subject matter contained in claims 18-24 and reserves the right to pursue the subject matter thereof in one or more divisional or continuation patent applications.

Based upon the foregoing election and discussion, the instant application is believed to be in condition for examination on its merits, which action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or would like to discuss the present application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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